IN THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A low profile electrical connector comprising:

a shroud comprising opposed side walls configured to retain a plurality of contact pins, said side walls having opposed end edges; and

a skirt extending from an end of said side walls of said shroud joined to and extending from one of said opposed end edges, said skirt comprising a surface facing said shroud and a latch member extending from said surface away from said one end edge; and

keying flanges extending from said side walls at a location spaced from said skirt.

- 2. (currently amended) An electrical connector in accordance with claim 1 wherein each of said side walls comprise a at least one of said keying flanges includes an upstream side, a downstream side, and a tapered top surface extending between the upstream side and the downstream side, said tapered surface being inclined relative to said skirt to define a decreasing space between said skirt and said tapered surface along a length of said keying flanges, said length extending parallel to a longitudinal axis of said shroud.
- 3. (original) An electrical connector in accordance with claim 1 wherein each of said opposed side walls comprise a plurality of keying flanges, one of said opposed side walls having a greater number of keying flanges than the other.
- 4. (original) An electrical connector in accordance with claim 1 wherein said shroud comprises a longitudinal axis and a lateral axis, said skirt extending outward from said shroud in a direction of each of said longitudinal axis and said lateral axis.
- 5. (original) An electrical connector in accordance with claim 1 wherein said shroud extends along a longitudinal axis, said latch member aligned on said skirt with said longitudinal axis.
- 6. (currently amended) An electrical connector in accordance with claim 1 wherein said skirt extends outwardly from said shroud in a direction substantially parallel to keying flanges



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- 17. (currently amended) An electrical device in accordance with claim 15 wherein said shroud extends along a longitudinal axis, shroud said skirt further comprising a latch member aligned on said skirt with said longitudinal axis.
- 18. (original) An electrical device in accordance with claim 15 wherein said shroud comprises opposed side walls, each of said side walls comprising a plurality of keying flanges, one of said opposed sides having a greater number of keying flanges than the other.
- 19. (original) An electrical device in accordance with claim 15 wherein said shroud comprises a longitudinal axis and a lateral axis, said skirt extending outward from said shroud in a direction of each of said longitudinal axis and said lateral axis.
 - 20. (cancelled)